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i have heard that the microsoft settlement includes making microsoft donate software and hardware to schools. this is a very very bad idea, since all it will do is get students using microsoft software early, thereby furthering the monopoly they have! it might also put apple out of business.

make microsoft give the \$\$ or the hardware, and open up the software to free sources like Linux. DO NOT "MAKE" MICROSOFT GIVE THEIR SOFTWARE TO SCHOOLS!

that would be like "punishing" a drug pusher by making them give herion samples to kids. i am dead serious.

sincerely.

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